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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009-10 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2721

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Blakeslee**

February 19, 2010

An act to amend Section 69432 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education. An act to amend Section 52336 of the Education Code, relating to the Career Preparatory Program.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2721, as amended, Blakeslee. Postsecondary education: student financial aid: Cal Grants. High School Apprentice Program.

Existing law authorizes any business, trade or professional association, union, or state or local governmental agency operating within this state to establish and operate, under the auspices of the local school district, a career preparatory program that meets specified requirements. An entity establishing and operating a program is required to develop and implement a course of instruction for all pupils enrolled in the program that satisfies the graduation requirements set forth in existing law that are applicable to grades 11 and 12. Existing law authorizes an entity establishing and operating a career preparatory program to propose and implement a program that is designed to provide on-the-job training and instruction in specific career technical skills to prepare pupils for future employment. Pupils who successfully complete all aspects of the program receive a certificate of completion that supplements a high school diploma.

This bill would require the course of instruction developed and implemented by an entity establishing and operating a career AB 2721 — 2 —

preparatory program to be expanded so that it will satisfy the graduation requirements applicable to grades 9 to 12, inclusive.

Existing law, known as the Ortiz-Pacheco-Poochigian-Vasconcellos Cal Grant Act, establishes the Cal Grant A and B entitlement awards, the California Community College Transfer Entitlement awards, the Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards, the Cal Grant C awards, and the Cal Grant T awards under the administration of the Student Aid Commission, and establishes eligibility requirements for awards under these programs for participating students attending qualifying institutions.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 52336 of the Education Code is amended 2 to read:

- 52336. (a) Any business, trade or professional association, union, or state or local governmental agency operating within this state may establish and operate, under the auspices of the local school district, a career preparatory program within this state that meets the requirements of this article.
- (b) As part of a career preparatory program, an entity establishing and operating the program shall develop and implement a course of instruction for all pupils enrolled in the program that satisfies the requirements of Section 51225.3 applicable to grades—11 and 12 9 to 12, inclusive.
- (c) Subject to the development of the course of instruction delineated in subdivision (b) and to continuing certification by the State Department of Education department, an entity establishing and operating a career preparatory program may propose and implement a program that is designed to provide on-the-job training and instruction in specific career technical skills to prepare-students pupils for future employment.
- (d) An entity establishing and operating a career preparatory program shall present pupils who have successfully completed all aspects of the program with a certificate of completion that shall supplement a high school diploma.

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SECTION 1. Section 69432 of the Education Code is amended to read:

- 69432. (a) Cal Grant Program awards shall be known as "Cal Grant A Entitlement Awards," "Cal Grant B Entitlement Awards," "California Community College Transfer Entitlement Awards," "Competitive Cal Grant A and B Awards," "Cal Grant C Awards,"
- 7 and "Cal Grant T Awards."
  8 (b) Maximum award amounts for students at independent
  9 institutions, and for Cal Grant C and T awards, shall be identified
  10 in the annual Budget Act. Maximum award amounts for Cal Grant
  11 A and B awards for students attending public institutions shall be
  12 referenced in the annual Budget Act.